

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For   
**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR OPTICAL DATA  
TRANSMISSION AT HIGH DATA RATES WITH  
ENHANCED CAPACITY USING POLARIZATION  
MULTIPLEXING**

Group Art Unit : 2633

Examiner : David S. Kim

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Date: 3/3/05Signature: Howard GrossmanRESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

SIR:

In response to an Office Communication dated November 3, 2004, enclosed please find a Response to Restriction Requirement transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified patent application.

1. Applicant respectfully requests a **three-month extension of time** for responding to the Office Action mailed November 3, 2004, for which a one-month response period expiring on December 3, 2004 was set. The three-month extended period for response expires on March 3, 2005. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the three-month extension fee of **\$510.00** to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon**, deposit account number 11-0600.
2. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon**, deposit account number **11-0600**:
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E. Any additional miscellaneous fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.21.

3. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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This paper addresses the Office Action dated November 3, 2004, for which a one-month period (ending on December 3, 2004) for reply was set. A three month-extension is requested, the three-month extension period ending on March 3, 2005.

**Remarks**

In response to the Office Action of November 3, 2003, Applicants elect those claims that correspond to Species I (1<sup>st</sup> transmitter species with 1<sup>st</sup> receiver species). The corresponding claims are 1-9, 16, 17, 19-25, and 32-34. Consideration of the merits of claims 1-9, 16, 17, 19-25, and 32-34 in the present application is therefore respectfully requested.

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